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Fighting and Proximity Fire-Fighting, 2007 Edition, effective August 17, 2006, IBR approved for §142.226(a) of this subchapter.

(i) Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE), 400 Commonwealth Drive, Warrendale, PA 15096, 724-776-4841, <http://www.sae.org/>.

(1) ANSI/SAE Z 26.1-1996, American National Standard for Safety Glazing Materials for Glazing Motor Vehicles and Motor Vehicle Equipment Operating on Land Highways—Safety Standard, approved August 11, 1997, IBR approved for §144.905(e) of this subchapter.

(2) SAE J1475 Revised JUN96—Hydraulic Hose Fitting for Marine Applications, revised June 1996, IBR approved for §143.265(d) of this subchapter.

(3) SAE J1942 Revised APR2007—Hose and Hose Assemblies for Marine Applications, revised April 2007, IBR approved for §143.265(d) of this subchapter.

(j) UL (formerly Underwriters Laboratories, Inc.), 12 Laboratory Drive, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709, 919-549-1400, <http://www.ul.com/>.

(1) UL 217—Standard for Safety for Single and Multiple Station Smoke Alarms, Sixth Edition, dated August 25, 2006 (including revisions through November 20, 2012), IBR approved for §142.330(b) of this subchapter.

(2) UL 1104—Standards for Safety for Marine Navigation Lights, Second Edition, dated October 29, 1998, IBR approved for §143.415(a) of this subchapter.

(3) UL 1275—Standard for Safety for Flammable Liquid Storage Cabinets, Third Edition, dated June 30, 2005 (including revisions through February 26, 2010), IBR approved for §142.225(c) of this subchapter.

§ 136.115 Equivalents.

(a) The Coast Guard may approve any arrangement, fitting, appliance, apparatus, equipment, calculation, information, or test that provides a level of safety equivalent to that established by any specific provision of this subchapter. Submit requests for approval to the Coast Guard via the cognizant OCMI. The Marine Safety Center may

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require engineering evaluations and tests to verify the equivalence.

(b) The Coast Guard may accept compliance with the provisions of SOLAS applicable to the vessel's size and route (incorporated by reference, see §136.112), as an equivalent to specific requirements of this subchapter. Submit requests for a determination of equivalency for a particular vessel to the Coast Guard via the cognizant OCMI.

(c) Alternative compliance arrangement provisions related to SMSs are contained in §138.225 of this subchapter.

(d) Alternate compliance arrangements must be documented within the TSMS applicable to the vessel.

§ 136.120 Special consideration.

Based on a review of relevant information and on the TSMS applicable to the vessel, the cognizant OCMI who issues the COI may give special consideration to authorizing departures from specific requirements, when unusual circumstances or arrangements warrant such departures and when an equivalent level of safety is provided.

§ 136.130 Options for documenting compliance to obtain a Certificate of Inspection.

(a) There are two options for documenting compliance with the requirements in this subchapter to obtain a COI:

(1) The Coast Guard option, in which all inspections of the towing vessel are conducted by the Coast Guard, as discussed in §136.210 and parts 137 and 140 through 144 of this subchapter; or

(2) The TSMS option, as discussed in §136.210, and in parts 137 through 144 of this subchapter.

(b) Regardless of the option chosen, the Coast Guard is responsible for issuing a towing vessel COI, and may board a vessel at any time to verify compliance and take appropriate action.

(c) An owner or managing operator choosing the Coast Guard option may use a management system, vessel operations manual, towing vessel record (TVR), or logbook to meet this subchapter's recordkeeping requirements.